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Kathy,
Now that site is listed please let me know if and if so when we can expect movement again at this site.
Thank you-hope you are doing well.
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FYI Bremerton Gasworks now on NPL. This site came to the attention of DNR when a pipeline was discovered leaking a creosote like substance onto public tidelands.
The sources of contamination originates from private uplands but we will need to track how they will address contaminants found in the inter and subtidal areas. We are still awaiting proposed further remedies from consultants regarding plugged but remaining pipe. I will contact Emergency Manager, Kathy Parker, to see if this listing will spur any movement by EPA in the near future. Any other questions we should be asking let me know.

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(Seattle—May 8, 2012) Bremerton Gasworks, a former coal gasification plant that operated in Bremerton, Washington from 1930 to 1963, will be listed on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's national list of highly contaminated sites. Bremerton Gasworks is located a mile and a half from downtown Bremerton, along the Port of Washington Narrows. EPA will manage the site under the Superfund cleanup program.

"Cleaning up Bremerton Gasworks will help us shut off one more source of industrial contamination that threatens

Puget Sound,” said Dan Opalski, EPA Region 10 Superfund Director in Seattle. “Putting this site on our Superfund list will ensure this site gets cleaned up once and for all.”

Sediments in the Port of Washington Narrows and soils and groundwater at Bremerton Gasworks are contaminated with polyaromatic hydrocarbons or PAHs from tars associated with the gasification process, plus toxic metals and benzene.

EPA, the Washington State Department of Ecology, Cascade Natural Gas, and the U.S. Coast Guard have been involved in assessments of the site and an earlier beach cleanup. Contamination left on the site could still pollute the Washington Narrows and Puget Sound. The Suquamish Tribe uses this area as a subsistence fishery. EPA will work in close partnership with these agencies, the company, and the Suquamish Tribe to clean up the site.

More information on the Bremerton Gasworks Superfund site:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/cleanup.nsf/sites/bremerton-gasworks>

May 10, 2012 Federal Register notice and supporting documents for Superfund sites:

<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/npl/current.htm>

Information about how a Superfund site is listed: http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/npl/npl_hrs.htm

Superfund sites in local communities: <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/index.htm>

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